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- 1. LIECKENS, ALFONS, BELGIAN CITIZEN (VAN DEN NESTLAAN 105, BROECHEM) OTHER COMPANION OF MISSING US CITIZEN JOHN MUTCHLER COMMUNICATED TELEPHONICALLY WITH CONSULAR OFFICER TODAY. HE SUBSTANTIALLY CORROBORATED JOHANNSSON S STATEMENT.
- 2. LIECKENS STATED THAT THERE ARE TWO POSSIBILITIES: EITHER MUTCHLER FELL FROM MOUNTAIN DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER, GROUND WAS SOGGY, SLIPPERY, LOOSE STONES, OR HE GOT LOST IN ISOLATED MOUNTAIN AREA.

LIECKENS FURTHER STATED THAT HE ACCOMPANIED POLICE ON SEARCH EARLY MORNING JULY 6 GOING OVER SAME ROUTE MUTCHLER AND HE HAD BEEN TOGETHER MORNING JULY 5. THEY FOUND NO TRACE. NO SIGN OF A FALL.

3. LIECKEN S DESCRIPTION OF MUTCHLER S CLOTHING DIFFERS SOMEWHAT FROM THAT OF JOHANNSSEN S. A LIGHT RED ( OR ROSE) UNCLASSIFIED

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SWEATER, A PLASTIC GREY RAINCOAT, BROWN LEATHER BOOTS.

4. CONGEN WILL ATTEMPT CONTACT WITH MUTCHLER FAMILY UPON ARRIVAL IN BELGIUM.
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